



# Iowa Ag News – Hogs & Pigs

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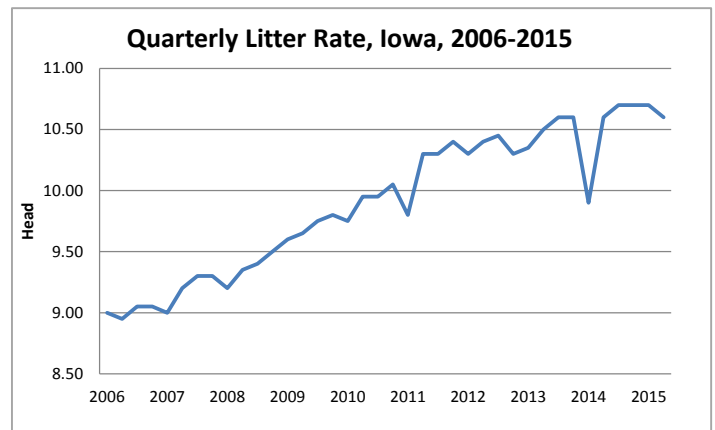
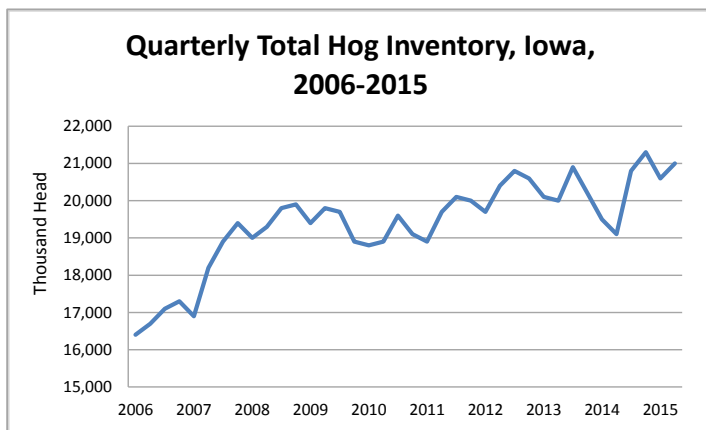
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On June 1, 2015, there were 21.0 million hogs and pigs on Iowa farms, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Hogs and Pigs* report. This is the second highest inventory since records began in 1870, behind only December 2014's inventory of 21.3 million. The June 1 inventory was up 2 percent from March and up 10 percent from last June's 19.1 million head.

The March-May quarterly pig crop was 5.25 million head, down 2 percent from the previous quarter, but 5 percent above last year. A total of 495,000 sows farrowed during this quarter. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.60 for the March-May quarter.

As of June 1, producers planned to farrow 490,000 head of sows and gilts in the June-August quarter and 490,000 head during the September-November quarter.



## Hogs and Pigs, Breeding, Market, and Total Inventory – Selected States and United States: June 1, 2014-2015

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

State	Breeding			Market			Total		
	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Illinois .....	490	490	100	3,810	4,110	108	4,300	4,600	107
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>18,100</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>19,100</b>	<b>21,000</b>	<b>110</b>
Minnesota .....	570	550	96	7,080	7,500	106	7,650	8,050	105
Missouri .....	380	395	104	2,070	2,505	121	2,450	2,900	118
Nebraska .....	390	410	105	2,610	2,790	107	3,000	3,200	107
North Carolina .....	860	880	102	6,740	7,120	106	7,600	8,000	105
United States .....	5,855	5,926	101	55,713	60,975	109	61,568	66,900	109

## Hogs and Pigs, Market Inventory by Weight Group – Selected States, and United States: June 1, 2014-2015

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State	Under 50 pounds		50-119 pounds		120-179 pounds		180 pounds and over	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Illinois .....	1,220	1,270	1,160	1,210	770	850	660	780
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>4,890</b>	<b>5,100</b>	<b>5,640</b>	<b>6,380</b>	<b>4,470</b>	<b>4,820</b>	<b>3,100</b>	<b>3,700</b>
Minnesota .....	2,580	2,570	2,150	2,200	1,290	1,540	1,060	1,190
Missouri .....	1,005	1,255	405	475	315	370	345	405
Nebraska .....	840	860	770	765	510	615	490	550
North Carolina .....	2,750	2,830	1,590	1,650	1,230	1,320	1,170	1,320
United States .....	18,254	19,455	15,801	17,181	11,491	12,810	10,166	11,529

## United States Hogs and Pigs

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2015 was 66.9 million head. This was up 9 percent from June 1, 2014, and up slightly from March 1, 2015.

Breeding inventory, at 5.93 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, but down 1 percent from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 61.0 million head, was up 9 percent from last year, and up 1 percent from last quarter.

The March-May 2015 pig crop, at 29.6 million head, was up 8 percent from 2014. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 2.85 million head, up 1 percent from 2014. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 10.37 for the March-May period, compared to 9.78 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 8.00 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 10.40 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

United States hog producers intend to have 2.91 million sows farrow during the June-August 2015 quarter, down 3 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2014, but up 1 percent from 2013. Intended farrowings for September-November 2015, at 2.87 million sows, are down 4 percent from 2014, but up 3 percent from 2013.

The total number of hogs under contract owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 46 percent of the total United States hog inventory, down from 48 percent last year.

